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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Lynn B. Lunsford et al.

Art Unit : 1633

Serial No. : 09/321,346

Examiner : D. Nguyen

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Title : MICROPARTICLES FOR DELIVERY OF NUCLEIC ACID

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicants hereby petition that the period for response to the action dated January 18, 2001, be extended for three months to and including July 18, 2001.

Enclosed is a check for \$445 for the required fee. A continuation application is being filed concurrently with this petition. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket No. 08191-014001.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: July 18, 2001

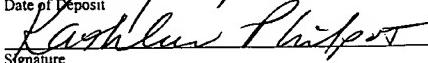
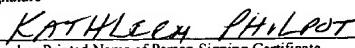
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